

**ГЕРЦЕНОВСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ
ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ 2021 г.**

**ЗАДАНИЯ ДЛЯ ЗАКЛЮЧИТЕЛЬНОГО ТУРА
(в дистанционной форме)
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ТЕСТ № 1

***В каждом конкурсе представлены
ДВА ВАРИАНТА заданий, ОДИН из которых методом случайного выбора
предлагался каждому участнику во время компьютерного тестирования.***

Вариант № 2

**Интегрированный конкурс понимания устной и письменной речи
(Аудирование + Чтение)**

Прослушайте аудиозапись¹ и выполните следующие задания.

1. *What is the main topic of the text?*
The journalist is talking about being left-handed and _____, then briefly alludes to _____.
A. possible reasons for left-handers doing well in life / the converting of inborn handedness
B. a genetic basis to left-handedness / insoluble problems caused by equipment designed for right-handers
C. stigmas attached to left-handedness / the bias against left-handed people
2. *Define the category of radio programmes that this recording represents.*
A. Science
B. Real Estate
C. Ingenuity
3. *Choose 5 out of 8 words and phrases that can be used as hashtags to search for this recording.*
A. Well-known left-handers

¹ Adapted from The Independent. Why are left-handed people so brilliant?

- B. Punishment of lefties
- C. Right-left discrimination
- D. Lefty athletes
- E. Handedness and genetics
- F. Changing left to right
- G. Tools for left-handers
- H. Hemispheric dominance

4. *True or false? Choose the best answer.*

Although left-handers make up around ten percent of the population, two out of the last six American presidents were left-handed.

- A. True
- B. False

5. *True or false? Choose the best answer.*

Dominance of the left hemisphere enables left-handers to be better at 3D perception.

- A. True
- B. False

Прслушайте аудиозапись еще раз, прочитайте текст, определите, имеет ли данное утверждение отношение к их содержанию.

6. *Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D).*

Conventional wisdom is that handedness is controlled by a combination of genes and that in an average group of ten people, one will be left-handed, but left-handed people are routinely trained into right-handedness by well-meaning teachers, so the population of left-handers is underrepresented.

- A. means that the idea is expressed both in the listening and the reading passage.
- B. means that the idea is expressed in the reading passage only.
- C. means that the idea is expressed in the listening passage only.
- D. means that the idea is expressed neither in the listening nor in the reading passage.

For the ten percent of people of the world, left-handers, life isn't easy. Throughout much of history, writing with your left-hand was a surefire way to be accused of being possessed by the devil. The world has gotten progressively more accepting of left-handed folk, but there are still attempts to convert left-handers and force them to switch handedness. What makes humanity's bias against lefties all the more unfair is that left-handed people are born that way. In fact, a group of researchers have identified a network of genes that relate to handedness in humans. If handedness is genetic and if right-handedness is such a dominant trait, why hasn't left-handedness been forced out of the genetic pool? In reality, one of the recent researches suggests that handedness could be more subtle than simple "dominant" or "recessive" traits—a whole host of genes and even environmental

factors (like the continued hatred of lefties by two-thirds of the world) might play significant roles. So why are there still non-right-handers? Left-handedness might still confer some benefits. In various studies, non-right-handers have been found to be more creative and flexible thinkers, more intelligent, and to have advantages on the playing field.²

Конкурс понимания письменного текста (Чтение)

Прочитайте текст и выполните задания к нему.

The concept of ‘power distance’ is widely used by social psychologists to describe how power is distributed and how hierarchy is perceived in different cultures. Alexia worked for a multinational company as a successful project manager in Argentina and was transferred to manage a team in Norway. She was excited about her new role but soon realised that managing her new team would be a challenge.

What Alexia was experiencing was a cultural clash in expectations. She didn’t feel respected as a leader as her new staff would question her proposals openly in meetings. When she gave them instructions on how to carry out a task, they would often go about it in their own way without checking with her. In her previous work environment, Alexia was used to a high power distance culture where power and authority are respected and everyone has their rightful place without stepping in. Her Norwegian team, however, were used to working in a low power distance culture where subordinates often collaborate with their bosses to find solutions and make decisions. Here, leaders act as coaches or mentors who encourage independent thought and expect to be challenged.

When Alexia became aware of the cultural differences between her and her team, she took the initiative to have an open conversation with them about their feelings about her leadership. With a better understanding of the underlying reasons behind each other’s behaviour, Alexia and her team were able to adapt their way of working. Alexia was then able to make adjustments to her management style so as to better fit the expectations of her Norwegian team and more effectively motivate her team to achieve their goals. Adapted from the British Council

Раздел «Понимание содержания текста»

1. *Choose an appropriate headline for this article:*

- A. Challenge Management
- B. Cultural expectations and leadership

² Adapted from The Smithsonian Magazine. Why are some people left-handed?

C. Personality Clash

2. *Choose the section of a newspaper/magazine where you could find this article.*
 - A. Lifestyle and Culture
 - B. Global Business
 - C. Editorial
3. *Choose FIVE key words or expressions, which could be used as hashtags while searching for the article online. Arrange your answers in alphabetical order.*
 - A. Power distance culture
 - B. Way of working
 - C. Cultural Clash
 - D. Subordinates
 - E. Management Style
 - F. Collaborate with bosses
 - G. Leadership
 - H. Multinational company
4. *True or false? Choose the correct variant.*

Alexia's team questioned her proposals and her decisions because they didn't trust or respect her.

 - A. True
 - B. False
5. *True or false? Choose the correct variant.*

Alexia faced a problem with her Norwegian team because her management style was old-fashioned and wrong for the modern world.

 1. True
 - B. False
6. *What does the author mean saying, "Alexia was then able to make adjustments to her management style so as to better fit the expectations of her team and more effectively motivate her team to achieve their goals".*
 - A. Alexia got used to working in a low power distance culture.
 - B. It took Alexia some time to be adjusted to a new management style.
 - C. Alexia succeeded in managing her new team.

Раздел «Грамматика и комментирование текста»

Find equivalents from the text you have read to the words below

7. To keep talking about something, in a way that is boring and annoying = ...
8. To do something that needs to be organized and planned = ...
9. Someone who has a lower position and less authority than someone else in an organization = ...
10. To work together with a person or group in order to achieve something = ...
11. A situation in which representatives of two different societies do not meet expectations and requirements of each other because of their histories, beliefs and traditions = ...

12. *Find an example of one pronoun in the possessive case with the following noun from the text you have read*
13. *Find an example of one objective-with-the-infinitive construction with the article(s) and a following noun from the text you have read*
14. *Find an example of one subordinating conjunction followed by an infinitive clause of purpose without the main clause from the text you have read*
15. *Find an example of one possessive pronoun without the following noun from the text you have read*
16. *Find an example of one verbal noun with the article and without prepositions from the text you have read*

Конкурс на знание лексики и страноведения

Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуски словом (словами) из предложенного списка.

- | | |
|-------------|-----------|
| A. with | B. public |
| C. accounts | D. view |
| E. data | F. affect |
| G. sign | H. from |
| I. link | J. host |

A month after federal regulators ordered it to disclose how its practices (1) _____ children and teenagers, TikTok is tightening its privacy practices for the under-18 crowd.

Starting on Wednesday, default privacy setting for (2) _____ with users aged 13 to 15 will be private. That means only someone the user approves as a follower can (3) _____ their videos, which was not the case previously. But teens can still change this setting to (4) _____ if they want.

Older teenagers won't see this default setting change. For users aged 16 or 17, the default setting to let people download the videos they created will now be "off," rather than "on."

TikTok is also blocking users' ability to download videos created by those 15 or younger. This age group will also see direct messaging restricted and won't be able to (5) _____ live streams.

TikTok is wildly popular (6) _____ teenagers and younger kids. A feature called TikTok for Younger Users offers pre-selected, "age appropriate" videos. The feature was added after TikTok's predecessor, Musica.ly, settled FTC allegations

that it illegally collected personal information (7) _____ children. It also agreed to pay \$5.7 million.

A tool called “family pairing,” meanwhile, lets parents (8) _____ their TikTok account to their teen’s to enable content and privacy settings.

Last month, the Federal Trade Commission asked TikTok's parent company, along with Facebook, Twitter, Amazon and five other social media companies to provide detailed information on how they collect and use consumers’ personal (9) _____. and how their practices influence children and teens.

TikTok users are asked to put in their birthday when they (10) _____ up for the service, but, as with other social media platforms, there is no real verification to ensure it is accurate. Adapted from Euronews

ТЕСТ № 2

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Вариант № 2

Конкурс на знание грамматики

Преобразуйте выделенную часть предложения в соответствии с указанием, содержащимся в скобках, и с учетом контекста.

- Впечатайте в поле для ответа полный текст ситуации, включающий неизменную и преобразованную части.
 - Используйте глаголы только В ПОЛНОЙ ФОРМЕ.
1. “If you are still filming, I *would like you to turn off* / (*subjunctive mood after the verb “to wish” expressing annoyance*) the camera right now, or I’m calling the police!” the woman hissed.
 2. Dave Carter was sitting in front of Eileen. She asked him, “*Where did you hear about us?*” / (*reported speech*) She asked that question for what seemed like the millionth time that day.
 3. The rules stated clearly that no answer was marked as correct *unless written* / (*conditional clause with the conjunction “unless”*) in a complete sentence.
 4. An advisor is required to meet each semester with all the students admitted into the program *so that they might be allowed* / (*for-to infinitive construction*)

- to select the courses they want to enrol in.
5. “I think this information will be acceptable *if given* / (*conditional clause*)
..... by email or WhatsApp, too.”
“No. You have to give information by personally appearing before a Joint Director of Income Tax.”
 6. “*It seems that he was texting* / (*subjective infinitive construction*)
..... his girlfriend when it happened,” Greg Stillson said. “He hit the guard rail at a high speed.”
 7. “*You ought to call* / (*subjunctive mood after the expression “It is time”*)
..... someone,” Wendy said. Her face was paper-white with fear. “Someone with experience. Someone who’d know what to do.”
 8. Mr Bracknell *commissioned someone to replace his porch* / (*objective participial construction after the verb “to have”*) before renting the house out.
 9. Dr Bannerman joined the union immediately *when he was hired* / (*gerund after the preposition “on”*) as a lecturer in 2012, and regularly attended meetings.
 10. I pointed out that *but for a survey conducted by my department* / (*conditional clause with the conjunction “unless”*) in 2019 – one of so many – no one would know what to do about the case.

Конкурс письменной речи (Письмо)

Напишите эссе объёмом в 200-250 слов по предложенной теме.

1. Social media has become an integral part of our lives. The number of social media users is increasing each year. What are the advantages and disadvantages of social networking? Justify your point of view and give examples.
2. In 2001 Marc Prensky coined the term «digital natives» to describe people grown up in the digital age. This term can also be applied to today’s teenagers who are colloquially known as Zoomers (or generation Z). Many researchers consider that Zoomers differ greatly from earlier generations both psychologically and in terms of their worldview. How can you characterize people of your generation? Justify your point of view and give examples.